109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## S. 2669

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 27, 2006

Mr. Reid (for Mr. Kerry (for himself and Mr. Kennedy)) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS FOR BOSTON
- 4 HARBOR ISLANDS NATIONAL RECREATION
- 5 AREA.
- 6 Section 1029(d) of the Omnibus Parks and Public
- 7 Lands Management Act of 1996 (16 U.S.C. 460kkk(d))

1	is amended by striking paragraph (3) and inserting the
2	following:
3	"(3) Cooperative agreements.—
4	"(A) In general.—Subject to subpara-
5	graph (C), the Secretary may consult and enter
6	into 1 or more cooperative agreements with an
7	eligible entity described in subparagraph (B) to
8	acquire from and provide to the eligible entity
9	goods and services for—
10	"(i) the cooperative management of
11	land within the recreation area;
12	"(ii) the construction of recreation
13	area facilities; or
14	"(iii) any other purpose that is con-
15	sistent with the purposes described in sub-
16	section (a).
17	"(B) Eligible entities.—For purposes
18	of this subparagraph, an eligible entity is—
19	"(i) the Commonwealth of Massachu-
20	setts;
21	"(ii) a political subdivision of the
22	Commonwealth of Massachusetts; or
23	"(iii) any partnership entity specified
24	in subsection $(e)(2)$ .

1	"(C) Conditions.—A cooperative agree-
2	ment shall only be entered into under subpara-
3	graph (A) if the Secretary determines that—
4	"(i) appropriations for carrying out
5	the purposes of the cooperative agreement
6	are available; and
7	"(ii) the cooperative agreement is in
8	the best interests of the United States.".